

Goal of the Summit

“Enhancing ambulance transport safety through shared knowledge of technical data”



Ambulance Transport Safety Summit

Bridging the gap between what we do and what is known

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BLS Data on EMT's

- Data for fatal injuries
- Data for nonfatal injuries and illnesses
- Upcoming data releases

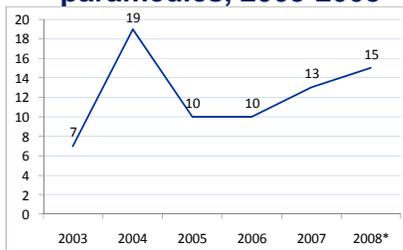


Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI)

- Covers all work-related injury fatalities in the U.S.
 - Public and private sectors
 - Wage and salary workers, self-employed, volunteers
- Collected from multiple data sources
- Includes information about the incident and demographic characteristics of the worker



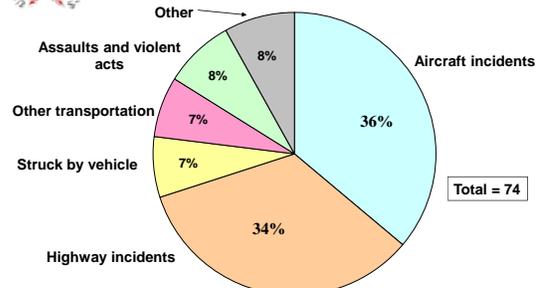
Fatalities among EMTs and paramedics, 2003-2008*



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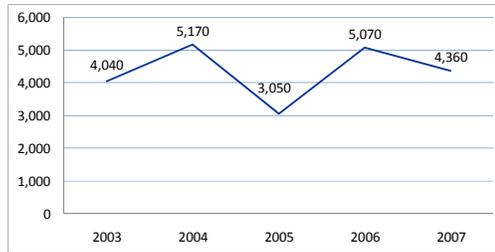


Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses (SOII)—Nonfatal data

- Data obtained from an establishment survey based on OSHA recordkeeping logs.
- National data prior to 2008:
 - Cover private wage and salary workers only
 - Exclude volunteers unless compensated
- Data for 2008 and beyond:
 - Include paid State and local government workers
- Case and demographic characteristics:
 - Available for cases with days away from work only.



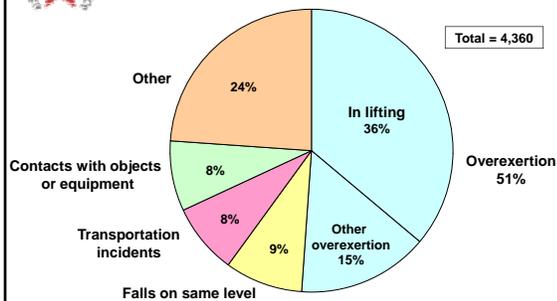
Cases with days away from work among EMTs and paramedics, private sector, 2003-2007



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses



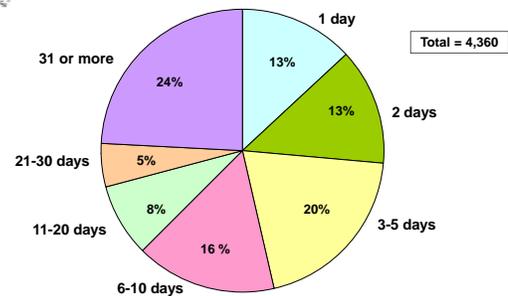
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Number of days away from work among EMTs and paramedics, private sector, 2007



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Upcoming releases: 2008 data

- National data for nonfatal injuries in the public sector:
 - Summary industry data: October 29
 - Case and demographic data (i.e. data for EMTs): Early 2010
- Final fatality data: April 2010



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Summary

- What we know
- What we don't know
- What we need to know

Questions??

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